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Amendments to the Abstract:

Please replace the Abstract of the Disclosure with the following paragraph:

A system for storing and configuring CMOS setting information remotely in a server blade environment includes a management module having includes persistent storage containing a table of CMOS setting information for each server blade. Each server blade includes boot block software that executes when the blade is booted. The boot block software initiates communication with the management module and retrieves its CMOS settings from the table. Thus, CMOS settings for a particular blade location remain unchanged each time a blade is replaced or upgraded. The management module and server blades may implement a programming interface that includes command abstractions for each CMOS setting. The management module sends command abstractions to each server blade during the CMOS configuration process. The server blade interprets the commands and maps the commands to specific CMOS bit addresses thereby making the specific CMOS implementation employed by any server blade transparent to the management module.